

Projects and ActivitiesThu Apr 18 20:14:54 HST 2024

Name	Effects of Landscape Change on Island Birds
Capability Area:	- Understanding Climate Variability and Change
Variability/Cha	- Projections (modeling and downscaling)
nges	- Decision Support Tools
ECV	- (e.g., surface water, glaciers and ice caps, land cover,
T' (biomass)
Timeframe	- Multi-decadal (scenarios)
Status	- Ongoing
Focus Area	- Marine and Terrestrial Ecosystems
Regions	- Western North Pacific
	- FSM
Description	This project models bird species' responses to long-term and large-scale landscape change on Pohnpei Island, Federated States of Micronesia. Data from bird surveys spanning back to 1983 combined with 30 years of vegetation mapping will be used to create a predictive model of species change to guide reforestation and assess climate change model projections. This is the first effort of this kind in the Pacific Islands outside of Hawaii.
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Projected Timelines	2011-2013